IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

PIL WRIT PETITION NO.2644 OF 2005

Sanjiv G. Punalekar .. Petitioner.

V/s.

The State of Maharashtra & Others .. Respondents.

Mr.S.G. Punalekar, petitioner-in-person.

Mr.Vishal Phal, AGP for respondent No.1.

Mr.H. Toor i/b. M/s. Crawford Bayley & Co. for respondent No.4.

Ms.Alpana Ghone i/b. M/s.Kanga & Co. for respondent No.5.

CORAM : R.M. LODHA &
NARESH H. PATIL, JJ.

DATED : 20TH JULY, 2006.

P.C. :

Mr.Sanjiv G. Punalekar appears in person and submits that in compliance of the order dated June 22, 2006 he has deposited a sum of Rs.50,000/- with the Registry. He submits that though the public interest litigation was filed bonafide but now by passage of time nothing remains to be decided on merits by us.

2. The petitioner states that he is an advocate by profession and that the cost of Rs.50,000/- deposited by him may be permitted to be withdrawn.

3. Since the public interest litigation has become

infrustuous by passage of time and nothing remains to be decided, we do not intend to go into the issue as to whether the public interest litigation was filed by the petitioner bonafide, or not.

4. The writ petition (PIL) is dismissed as infructuous.

5. The amount of Rs.50,000/- deposited by the petitioner may be refunded to him.

(R.M. LODHA, J.)

(NARESH H. PATIL, J.)